## EARLY CLOSING MOVEMENT FAILS

Merchants Announce That Stores Will Remain Open Saturdays Until 9 p.m.

EXPERIMENT A COSTLY ONE

If All Storekeepers Will Join in Agreement There May be a Change After Jan. 1.

Early Saturday night closing of stores has failed, failed because all houses would not observe the plan. In an address to the Rev. P. A. Simpkin and the Ladies' Literary club, nine of the largest retail stores in the city explain that the experiment has cost them the gross profit on sales amounting to \$150,000, this being the amount that has gone to stores that would not close; and that it would be futile to continue early closing hours Saturday unless every store of any importance in the city as-

sisted in the movement. Mrs. W. R. Hutchinson, president of the Ladies' Literary club, said this morning that when the club took the action recommending the movement, last spring, it did so at the instigation of the president of the clerks' associa-tion, and that this is the first communication yet received from anyone on the other side. No action has yet been taken by the club except that some of the members feel that they were mis-informed. Rev. P. A. Simpkin is out of the city, so his statement could not

memorial addressed by the stores

Salt Lake City, Sept. 9, 1910.
Rev. P. A. Simpkin and Committee of
Ladies Literary Club, City;
Dear Sir and Ladies—The undersigned business houses were called upon
by your committee early last spring and requested to close their stores at 6 clock Saturday evenings and during the heated months at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoons. Principally because of your earnest solicitation and because we were willing to give the early closing Saturday movement a fair test, we have closed our stores at 6 o'clock since April of this year and at 1 o'clock on Saturday afternoons during the heated

GENERAL MOVEMENT.

In support of your request you told us that the movement would be general, that there was a popular demand for early Saturday closing all over the for early Saturday closing all over the country, and that the stores of Salt Lake City ought to fall in line; that the movement had the support of the laboring classes; that the retail clerks, particularly the numerous women clerks employed in the stores of this city, would obtain relief from the long Saturday hours and that they would be Saturday hours and that they would be benefited from the fact that having a half-holiday on Saturday, they would have a day and a half which could be devoted to rest or pleasure, and that the clerks would be fully rested and ready for work on Monday mornings.

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You further strongly impressed upon its the fact that it was necessary to have the larger stores lead in this movement and that when it was anneaned that such stores would close their doorn at 5 Saturday nights and at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoons during the heated months, that your committee, having the support of the large stores would be enabled within a reasonable time to close all the retail stores of the city at the same hours. We were told that the movement was to cover all lines of business, and that there was no wish to cause any of the stores agreeing to close to lose husiness on account of other stores remaining open but that efforts would be made to have all stores close.

WAS NOT GENERAL.

We have consistently closed our stores on Saturdays on the lines suggested by your committee, notwithetanding the fact that since it was definitely known that the large stores would close and did close, that the Saturday closing movement collapsed and that the movement did not become general, as we were assured it would and that the movement did not become general, as we were assured it would be. Having given the movement a whole summer trial, we desire to say that so far as the undersigned stores are concerned we have lived up to our agreement and that the result, in consequence of the movement not becoming general, has been satisfactory neither to our customers nor ourselves, and that, therefore, we feel justified in annuling the arrangements for Saturday closing. merous customers, mostly labor-

superous customers, mostly labor-ing people, have complained to us be-cause they were unable to do their shopping on Saturday afternoons and evenings, that being the most conveni-ent time for husband and wife to shop together, and because Saturday is pay day with most contractors and business houses in this city.

fered financial loss through the diversion of Saturday afternoon and evening business to stores which did remain open, such loss of business to our houses exceeding \$150,000 in volume. The actual loss was the gross profit on that amount of business, because the expense of deing business was no greater when the stores were remaining open until 9 p.m., and for that reason and in response to the demand of numerous customers, commencing Saturday, Sept. 17, 1910, our stores will remain open until 9 o'clock p.m. on Saturdays and nights before holidays.

We wish to say that we appreciate the feeling for the betterment of conditions of the retail clerks which is back of your efforts in behalf of the Saturday closing movement, and we regret that better success did not attend your work. We all of us hold to the same opinion as to the desirability of making the hours, environments and associations of our employes as pleasant as possible, and assure you that plans are under consideration which will more than offset the extra time we shall require of them on Saturday evenings.

BEGINNING OF 1911.

We wish to be entirely fair in the matter, and if your committee can ob-tain the necessary support and the pos-itive assurance that all competing lines

itive assurance that all competing lines will close their stores at 6 o'clock Saturday evenings from say January 1, 1911, the movement to be general, we shall be pleased to close our stores again at 6 o'clock Saturday evening, but in the meantime we shall act independently and resume our former custom of closing at 9 o'clock p.m. on Saturday evenings and the evenings before hollidays.

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We desire to thank your committee
for the great interest you have taken
and the time you have given to the betterment of the conditions surrounding
the sales people of this city, and assure
you of our intention to join in the early
Saturday closing movement if you can
make it general in this city.
Yours respectfully,
KEITH-O'BRIEN CO.,
H. W. Walker, Mgr.
AUERBACH CO.,
H. J. Wallace, Asst. Mgr.
L. A. COHN, Inc.
M. E. Lipman.
PARIS MILLINERY CO.,
W. O. Carbis, Secy.
N. M. HAMILTON,
THE CHARLTON SHOP,
J. C. Dwyer.

J. C. Dwyer, CUTLER BROS CO., GRAY BROS, & CO., J. Will Gray.

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TUSSLE WITH BURGLAR.

Ernest Creech Indulges in Rough-and-

Tumble With an Invader.

Ernest Creech, the 18 year old son

of B. F. Creech living at 165 north

First West street, had an encounter

with a husky burglar Saturday night

The boy was sleeping on a porch.

He heard a noise in the house and getting up found a man climbing out

of a window. The burgiar had a large

of a window. The burgiar had a large "jimmy" in his hands and started for young Creech. They grappled, and Creech, who is an athlete of ability, jerked the weapon from the hand of the thief. The man seeing he had met his match broke away and ran down the street and escaped into the darkness. The burgier had been surprised before he could make away with anything of value.

A private safe may be rented in the fire and burglar-proof vaults of the Salt Lake Security & Trust Co., 32-34 Main street, \$2.00 per year.

CITY COUNCIL FORECAST. Few Important Matters to be Discussed At Tonight's Session. Little of importance is scheduled to come before the city council at its meetcommittee, composed of the city engl-

neer, city attorney, the finance and the

sanitary committees of the council, and zens, will be ready with a report as to the best way to abate the Ninth South

Two ways are being considered of abating the nuisance, the building of a axis wooden flame over the canal and the enlarging of the Tenth South street canal to take care of the flood waters in the springtime, and the abolishing of the Ninth South street canal as a storm sewer.

Ninth South street canal as a storm sewer.

It is practically assured that the ordinance drafted by the city attorney three weeks ago, with a view of regulating public speaking on the streets and in the parks of Sait Lake City, will not come up before the council. It is declared that it will remain buried until after the election, anyway.

The committee on public grounds will recommissed the passage of an ordinance creating parking district No. 2, which will include all of the city not included in district No. 1.

NIGHT SCHOOL.

street canal nuisance.

at his home and came off first best.

Poisoning.

FIRST CAME TO UTAH IN 1852

CALLED BY DEATH

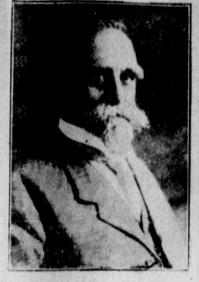
Well Known Business Man of

**Utah Victim of Ptomaine** 

Was Head of the Original Firm Walker Bros., Which Opened At Camp Floyd.

David Frederick Walker, aged 72 years, a well known business man of Salt Lake, died of ptomaine poisoning at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon at his home, 1365 east South Temple street. He had been ill about three weeks, supposed to have been the result of shring salad eaten at a cafe.

The deceased was born at Yeadon, Yorkshire, England, April 19, 1838. His father was Matthew Walker, wool merchant and hotel proprietor, who died in 1856 on his way to Utah. His mother was Mercy Long Walker, who died in Salt Lake City in 1863. Mr. Waker received his education as a youth in England. He came to America when 14 years of age, pedding notions in St Louis for two years. He came to Utah in 1852, and engaged with Wilham Nixon, a merchant here. In 1859 the Walker brothers' firm was established, made up of the four brothers: Lavid F. Walker being the head, he having secured his first stock of goods, \$90,000, on credit. The store was first opened at Camp Floyd to supply the soldiers, but later the stock was moved to Salt Lake, when was founded the present big department store of Walker Bros. Dry Goods company. In 1886 Mr. Walker sold his interest in the store father was Matthew Walker, wool mer-



DAVID F. WALKER.

and moved to San Francisco, where he was a member of the Pacific Union club and the Burlingsnic Country club, and was also a member of the Alta club of this city at the time of his

active business, and built a mag-ent country rasidence at San Mateo. The place covered four acres of and six acres of rare plants and bs. The residence was a splend d

iawn and six acres of rare plants and shrubs. The residence was a splendid piece of architecture, constructed in the old southern colonial style. He took great pride in the home and spent much of his later years about the grounds among the plants and flowers, his chief recreation.

Mr. Walker was married to Emeline Holmes in 1859, and seven children as follows were born. Emeline, Sarah, Ann, David F. Jr., Henry W., Maud and Stella May, Mrs. Walker died in 1876 and Mr. Walker married Althea Hunt in 1883, and the children from this union are Althea Margaret and Clarence Hollister Walker.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been made. The burlal will probably not take place until word is received from M. H. Walker, the only surviving brother, who is now in Europe, the news of the demise having been cabled to him.

TO DISCUSS SITE AGAIN.

School Board Meets Tuesday Night to Consider Matter. Especially recommended for the re-lief of nervous headache, exhaustion and Insomnia.

The site for the new high school will be the principal subject of discussion at the meeting of the city board of education Tuesday night. Out of 10 or 12 sites originally considered, only three appear to be in the running now. These are the Twelfth ward site, in First South street; the Auerbach site, just east of the Holy Cross hospital, and the Bothwell site on the southeast

From all indications there will be a spirited contest, which will be at least a three-sided affair. Friends of each site have been using all the influence they could muster to bring the members of the board to their viewpoint.

The Bothwell site has the advantage from the standpoint of room and view, but a fight is being made on it because of the great distance from the business center and the increased cost of conFUNERAL OF JUDGE MERRITT.

Rev. Elmer I. Goshen Officiates at the Last Rites.

funeral of Judge S. A. Merritt at the family residence, 15 Eighth East street, faimity residence, to Eighth East Street Saturday. There were many floral offerings. The Rev. Elmer I. Goshen was the speaker, and he told of the many estimable qualities possessed by the deceased, and spoke of the enviable reputation he had secured as a judge. The speaker mentioned a number of interesting incidents in connection with the life of Indee Merritt. speaker mentoned a number of interest-ing incidents in connection with the life of Judge Merritt. Miss Winifred Smith rendered a vocal solo, and the Graham quartet sang several selections. The palibrarers were: J. H. Moyle, W. S. Hedges, T. W. Sloan, J. H. Wells, J. H. Bothwell and C. B. Wells.

AMUSEMENTS

Theater—Tonight sees the opening of the widely advertised New York play "The Spendthrift," in which Lionel



LIONEL ADAMS,

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for materials. This site can be obtained for \$40,000 in bonds.

Advocates of the Auerbach site say it will be cheapest in the end, inasmuch as sewers and watermains are laid already. It can be obtained for \$72,500 in school bonds at par.

It is said that at least two members of the board favor standing by the original decision to use the old Twelfth ward site. They say that enough extra ground can be bought up for \$50,000 to enable the board to put up an adequate building.

building.

The finance committee is seeking a present to secure what it regards as a reasonable bid for the school honds. An offer of 92.5 has been made, but it is the belief of the committee that a better figure can be obtained.

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LEARN TO DANCE.

pany is a strong one, comprising as it does Mr. Adams. Lizzle McCall, Alfred Sackett, Vivian Martin, Horace E. Orr. Grace Gibbs and William H. Sullivan. The play is York life, and of the day, be a story of modern New it teems with problems cing largely built on the question of woman's extravagance, and the gulf which her career opens before the household. It will run the whole week with Wednesday and Saturday matinees,

prosperous week tonight. Last week's business was one of the heaviest since the house began doing business.

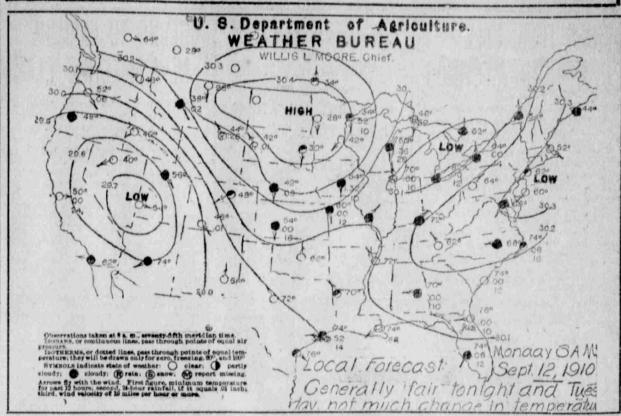
Garrick—The new offering by the Ingersoll Stock company this evening, and for the remainder of the week, with the usual matiness Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, will be the great society play. "The Walls of Jericho."

Daniels—The well known comedian Ollie Mack will be seen at the Daniels tonight and all the remainder of the week, with the usual double perform-

Moving Pictures—The Shubert, Luna, Elite and Isis introduced new bills Saturday afternoon, and with the return of the cool nights, each house is playing to capacity houses.

New Baker Company-A dispate to

## Today's Weather Chart for United States



For Salt Lake City and Utah: Gen- | thereof the temperatures are much be- | trally fair tonight and Tuesday, not much change in temperature.

WEATHER SUMMARY.

Since Saturday the high pressure area which was noted over the extreme northwest, has moved to the Dakotas, attended by much colder weather. This morning the temperatures are below freezing in northern Montana, North Dakota, and in the eastern portion of South Dakota, where killing frosts were reported. Throughout the Rocky Mountain region and the northern slope

low normal. Light showers were re-ported at some stations, but at Des Moines, lows, 1.32 inches was reported A storm area overlies the Great Easin but is not causing rain as yet. The wind at this city early this morning, blew at the rate of 30 miles an hour from the east. In the east the pressure is above normal with temperatures about normal in the north and above normal in the south. normal in the south.

The indications are for generally fair weather in this vicinity tonight and Tuesday with but little change in tem-

COMPARATIVE FOR SALT LAKE

The highest temperature yesterday was 70 degrees; the mean was 62 degrees, which is 5 degrees below normal. The temperature record for the year shows an accumulated excess of 528 degrees. The precipitation for the year is 5.89 inches which is 5.41 inches below normal.

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The sun rises at 6:06 a.m., and sets at 6:43 p.m. oon rises at 2:50 a.m., and sets

The News from Seattle yesterday states that the Baker Stock company, the second in George L Baker's list of coast companies, opened there in a performance of "Old Heidelberg." The new Seattle theater occupied by the Baker company has just been rebuilt and decorated at a cost of \$10,000.

for the residents in the vicinity of First avenue and S street.

It was between the hours of 1 and 3 when the tired ones of the neighborhood were awakened. Looking forth they saw the "gang" under the electric arc light at the corner having a little

SUNDAY MORNING POKER.

Crowd of Young Toughs Make Night Hideous on First Avenue.

"Poker by electric light and no police n sight," is a game just now the vogue with a gang of young toughs that made last Sunday morning a sleepless one

game of "draw." A haystack, quartet composed of some of the more callow members was "rendering a few selections" while the game was on. The selections were varied and punctuated by stops when the entire gang took on a few drinks from a large bottle. When the entire neighborhood was awake and day was breaking in the east, the gang departed, led by the quartet in full voice. The visit of a policeman had not marred the session.

THE MORMONS AND THE THEATER.

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